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Verses 12 to 19 of our lesson chapter, which tell of the healing of all the sick people who were brought to the apostles, are a manifest fulfillment of the last words in Matthew and Mark. "Lo, I am with you always." "The Lord working with them and confirming the word with signs following." Such manifestations of the power of the risen Christ are too much for the devil, who is still the spiritual adviser of all who are not controlled by the Holy Spirit, and so the religious rulers are filled with indignation by the evil one, and the apostles are cast into prison that they may thus do no more harm to the enemy's property by robbing him of people whom he had hitherto controlled. But, as usual, the enemies of the Lord imagine a vain thing, and the Lord has them, in derision (Ps. li, 1-4). Storm and tempest, fiery furnace or lions' den, prison gates and walls, are no hindrance to the Lord nor to His angels, who excel in strength and who delight to do His bidding (Ps. ciii, 20). The apostles, being still in mortal bodies, need to have doors opened for them, but even that proves no hindrance to an angel. So He who never slumbers nor sleeps sent His messenger by night to liberate His servants that they might go to the temple and speak to the people the words of life, and this they did. The next morning, when the high priest and his council and senate were assembled, they sent to the prison to bring the apostles, but while the prison was secure, as usual, and the keepers on duty there were no apostles within.

How it makes one's heart laugh to see God laughing at his enemies! There is nothing too wonderful for the Creator of heaven and earth (Jer. xxxii, 17). We do not wonder that they doubted "whereunto this would grow." We know that it will grow, in spite of all that the adversary can do, until every proud and haughty thing shall be laid low and "the Lord alone shall be exalted" (Isa. ii, 11, 17). Having learned that the prisoners were free men and teaching in the temple, they sent for them, brought them without violence and set them before the council, accusing them of bringing the blood of Jesus on the rulers and demanding of them why they continued teaching in this name after being forbidden to do so. They seemed to forget that they had cried, "His blood be on us and on our children" (Matt. xxvii, 25). Peter boldly replied that God must be obeyed rather than men and then once more to their face accused them of slaying Jesus, asserting that God had raised Him from the dead and exalted Him to His own right hand as a Prince, and a Saviour to give repentance and forgiveness even to them and that they, the apostles, were His witnesses by the power of the Holy Ghost. That settled the fate of the apostles in the minds of the council, and so they took counsel to kill them. The great murderer would fain accomplish some more of his devilish work and dispose of them as he had of their Master. They were quite ready for such a result, for they had been told to expect it (John xvi, 1-4). They were the same generation of vipers, or seed of the serpent (these Jews), as those to whom Jesus had said that they would do these very things. They were, as He said, of their father the devil (Matt. xxiii, 33, 34; John viii, 44). There are in this world only two classes, the righteous and the unrighteous, the children of God and the children of the wicked one, and there are in the future just two destinations, the kingdom and the glory and the place of torment. God is not willing that any should perish and has provided in His Son a redemption sufficient for all, but if people prefer the blindness and darkness of the god of this world (II Cor. iv, 4); if they still say, "Not this man, but Barabbas; we will not have this man to reign over us; we have no king but Caesar," then it must be understood that they declare themselves enemies of God, for "the friendship of this world is enmity with God" (Jas. iv, 4). "The free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rom. vi, 23 R. V.), but if men deliberately choose the wages of sin in preference who is to blame?

The counsel of Gamaliel in verses 38, 39, was in accord with Isa. viii, 9, 10; xiv, 24; xlii, 12; xliii, 13; lvi, 17, and other good words of the prophets, and to him they agreed, but they deemed it necessary to give the apostles a beating and to forbid them to make further mention of the name of Jesus (verse 40). Thus they declared themselves decidedly against Jesus Christ and that they would blot out His name if possible. They would not believe that God had highly exalted Him and given Him a name which is above every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come, and that all shall yet bow to Him either in glad submission or to hear Him say, "Depart from me, ye cursed" (Phil. ii, 9, 10; Eph. i, 21).

In contrast to these proud religious children of the evil one see these two rejoicing men, happy because they had been counted worthy to suffer.

START DAY RIGHT

BREAKFAST COSTUME AN IMPORTANT MATTER.

Garment of White Flannelette Is Effective—Frills and Girdle of Ribbon and Lawn Ruffles for Neck and Sleeves.

Every woman has at least one dinner gown in her wardrobe. At luncheon she is careful to wear a frock that is becoming and in good style, in case a friend might drop in. How often does she consider her appearance at breakfast? Anything is good enough to put on then, because only the family are there. It is a curious thing that she is least anxious to please those for whom she cares most. It may seem impossible, but there are women who even go to the table with their hair in curl papers, wearing such an atrocity as a calico wrapper. There is, perhaps, nothing in the whole gamut of wearing apparel so fatal to a woman's good looks as one of these



poorly-cut garments, and they are invariably of a crude color. One of these wrappers, in combination with curl papers, is enough to make any man fancy that the muffins are stony, and so subside behind the morning paper in grim silence.

A woman should live up to her part as mistress of the manor, and do her best to be attractive and cheerful in the morning. Often the whole day is influenced by the mental state of different members of the family at the breakfast table, and if one is disagreeable then the day for all is begun unhappily, and is likely to end so. There really is no need of being grumpy in the morning, for it is the beginning of a new day, and every day has some bright spots, if we look for them.

A woman can do more than she realizes, by simply being pleasant and looking sweet and dainty in a little breakfast jacket and cap. It will make one feel good for the rest of the day just to look at her.

These little caps are wonderfully becoming, and lend a charming dignity to the wearer.

Women may rest assured that this little effort on their part to start the day happily will be thoroughly appreciated by all members of the family, and they, in their turn, will help make the morning meal a congenial affair, instead of the hurried affair it so often has become.

The costume shown to-day is very effective made of a white flannelette, with sky blue polka dots. It is edged with a frill of blue wash ribbon. Deep white lawn ruffles finish the neck and sleeves. The girdle is of blue ribbon.

Hint for Papering.

In papering any room it should be remembered that light is the first consideration, and that the paper must be chosen accordingly.

Pure white is the best choice when a specially light room is wanted, as it absorbs only about 15 per cent of the light thrown upon it. Dark green, on the other hand, is the greatest consumer of light, absorbing about 85 per cent.

Next to white as a light producer are the soft pastel tints and light blues, which absorb from 20 to 25 per cent of the light; then comes orange at 30 per cent; apple and gray greens, almost 50 per cent, and the popular brown is almost as bad as dark green, as it takes up about 65 to 70 per cent of the light it should throw out.

Glass Lampshades.

If imitation is the sincerest flattery, the artistic value of cretonne is established beyond a doubt by the new glass lamp shades, which seem to be huge frames covered with dainty cretonne—until you tap one with an investigating finger. The glass is fluted and wrinkled to follow the convolutions of the flower petals and leaves. A square shade of opalescent cream glass has a border of blurred roses that look for all the world like one of the high-class French cretonnes.

Lincoln Centenary

Lincoln's Influence on the World

By JAMES A. EDGERTON

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THE WORLD'S TRIBUTE. Few others less notable Lincoln in his own day had little friendship in Europe. He was not of a type to appeal to bureaucracy and formal institutionalism. At the beginning of the war he was little known or, if known at all, was regarded as a country lawyer of slight education, little experience and inferior talents.

His method of handling the Mason and Sidel episode and the general conduct of our diplomatic affairs raised the world's opinion of him as his administration progressed, but still the feeling was not cordial. The temper of Europe was such in that contest that a slight misstep might have plunged us into war. One of Lincoln's greatest triumphs was that he kept us clear of these foreign difficulties. It was not so much hostility to Lincoln as it was hostility to the Union that had to be feared. By caution, patience and statesmanship all this hostility was made powerless to work us harm, and gradually the chancelleries of Europe awakened to the fact that a master mind was in charge at Washington. They also began to understand that the master mind was Lincoln, "the country lawyer," and not Seward, his secretary of state. If Seward had been given his way a war with one or more European nations could scarcely have been averted.

The triumph of the north had a powerful influence in melting foreign hostility. Success succeeds even better with diplomats than with ordinary mortals. The republic divided and threatened with annihilation was one thing. The same republic reunited and more firmly established than ever was quite another. The change of attitude naturally included the head of the nation as well as the nation itself. It must not be imagined, however, that all European sentiment was hostile to the Union. Many of the best men and women in all lands were naturally our friends both because of opposition to slavery and friendship to republicanism. The hearts of the masses for the most part were with us as they ever have been. This sentiment was augmented as the struggle neared a close.

Lincoln's assassination brought out all the latent and active friendship for him abroad as well as at home. It silenced the tongues of his enemies. Following so close upon the termination of the war, it focused the attention and touched the heart of the world. The universal and profound grief shown for the murdered president in his own land revealed to those of other lands that he was a man out of the ordinary, a fact that they had already begun to suspect. The changed attitude toward him was shown in the fine poem written by the editor of the London Punch.

When the world's universal republic is established, of which our own republic is but the forerunner; when there is liberation in all lands that are fanned by the free air as it sweeps about the earth; when self government and the individual strength it fosters have become as common as the sunshine and the rain; when there is a universal religion based on the divinity in man and the common love of God and humanity; when purity of life, loyalty to truth and the sacrifice of self on the altar of the common good are everywhere recognized and practiced, then Abraham Lincoln, who stood for all of these things, will have taken his place among the world's few supremely great souls. That day for all mankind is much nearer because he lived and died. If this nation had been rent asunder in the civil war, if free government had then proved a failure, if slavery had triumphed over freedom, that new era for mankind might have been delayed for centuries or forever. Therefore Lincoln's work in that crisis was not for his own land alone, but for all lands. It was not only to give the black race liberty, but to give all races liberty. It was not merely to assure the Union of these states, but meant eventually that there should be a union for peace and for universal freedom as wide as the earth and as long as the ages.

All these things Lincoln's life and death helped to make possible. Therefore when the "parliament of men" shall indeed come his name should be one of the foremost honored among those who prepared the way.

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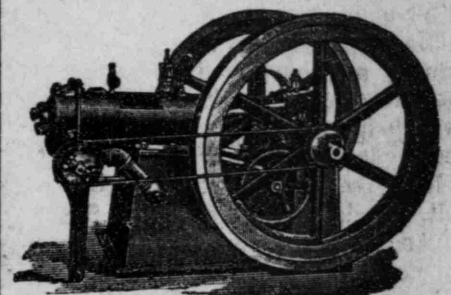
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